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Docket No. 30471.59102(CON)

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: Gaxiola, Roberto A. et al.)
Serial No.: 09/834,998)
Filed: April 13, 2001)
For: PROTON TRANSPORTERS AND)
USES IN PLANTS)

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AMENDMENT; RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Sir/Madam:

This paper is in response to the Office Action mailed December 22, 2003 and to which a response was due by March 22, 2004.

The Applicants respectfully petition for a three-month extension of time bringing the due date to June 22, 2004 which is within the statutory period of response. A check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed to cover the filing fee. However, should any additional fees be required, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fees from Edwards & Angell LLP, Deposit Account No. 04-1105.

Reconsideration of the application is respectfully requested.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 65-73.

Please add claims 77-97.

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